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SUBJECT: PROPOSED ADB TECHNICAL ASSESTANCE FOR TAN AN
IRRIGATION PROJECT IN VIETNAM

FOR NAC AGENCIES

SUMMARY: ADB MANAGEMENT PROPOSES TO FINANCE FOREX COSTS OF FORMULATING A BANKABLE PROPOSAL FOR AN IRRIGATION PROJECT BETWEEN TAN AN AND MY THO IN MEKONG DELTA OF VIETNAM. PROPOSED GRANT OF \$30,000 TO FINANCE FOREX COSTS OF CONSULTANTS TO DEVELOP IRRIGATION, DRAINAGE, FLOOD AND SALINITY CONTROL AND INTEGRATED AGRICULTURE DEVELOPMENT PROJECT PART OF POSTWAR RECONSTRUCTION PROGRAM. USADB RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE NAC ACTION.

1. ADB BANK DOC R97-73 WITH ATTACHMENTS DESCRIBING
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PROPOSED GRANT POUCHED ADDRESSEES NOV 17. BOARD

CONSIDERATION SCHEDULED DEC 4, 1973.

2. ADB MANAGEMENT PROPOSING GRANT OF \$80,000 TO GOVT OF VIETNAM (GVN) FOR THE TAN AN PROJECT TO FINANCE FOREX COSTS OF A TEAM OF CONSULTANTS CONSISTING OF FOUR EXPERTS IN FIELDS OF IRRIGATION ENGINEERING, AGRONOMY, AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS AND HYDROLOGY. CONSULTANTS TO DEVELOP DETAILED PROJECT FROM INITIAL 1972 STUDY MADE BY AGRICULTURE DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (ADC) OF REPUBLIC OF KOREA RECONNAISSANCE STUDY. ADB ECONOMIC/PROJECT IDENTIFICATION MISSION FEB 1973 CONCLUDED ADC STUDY INADEQUATELY ADDRESSED AGRICULTURAL, ECONOMIC, TECHNICAL AND INSTITUTIONAL ASPECTS OF ESTIMATED 31,000 HECTARE IRRIGATION PROJECT. CONSULTANTS' PROJECT FORMULATION TO COMPLETE PHASE I, CENTRAL PORTION (9400 HECTARES) OF PROJECT IN DETAIL SUITABLE FOR CONSIDERATION OF POSSIBLE FINANCING BY BANK.

3. PROPOSED PROJECT EXPECTED TO INCLUDE REGULATORS AND NAVIGATION LOCKS AT EACH END OF BAO DINH CANAL; EARTH DIKE AND DRAINAGE SLUICES ALONG NORTHERN PROJECT BOUNDARY TO PREVENT SALT WATER INTRUSION; IRRIGATION AND DRAINAGE SYSTEM WITH FEEDER ROAD NETWORK; PUMPING PLANTS FOR IRRIGATION AND POTABLE CITY WATER SUPPLY; AND INTEGRATED AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT FACILITIES TO PROVIDE INPUT SUPPLY (SEEDS, FERTILIZER), CREDIT, PROCESSING, STORAGE, MARKETING, RESEARCH, EXTENSION AND LAND REFORM. PROJECT FORMULATION, ESTIMATED TO REQUIRE 10 MAN-MONTHS TO COMPLETE, WILL INCLUDE REVIEW OF TECHNICAL DATA PARTICULARLY HYDROLOGICAL, IRRIGATION AND DRAINAGE, ENGINEERING DESIGNS OF IRRIGATION AND DRAINAGE SYSTEMS; SUITABLE LOCATION FOR STRUCTURES, ESPECIALLY SLUICES AND PUMPING STATIONS; RECOMMENDED CROPPING PATTERNS, FARM INPUTS; DETAILED SCHEME FOR INTEGRATED AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT INCLUDING INFRASTRUCTURE, INSTITUTIONAL SUPPORT, RESEARCH, EXTENSION AND LAND REFORM IMPLEMENTATION NEEDED; FARMER ORGANIZATION FOR WATER USE AND OTHER SERVICES SUCH AS CREDIT, MARKETING, PROJECT COSTS ESTIMATES BROKEN DOWN TO LOCAL CURRENCY AND FOREX COMPONENTS. CONSULTANTS WILL LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ALSO PLAN PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE GEARED TO UPGRADING TECHNICAL CAPABILITY OF GVN DIRECTORATE OF IRRIGATION AND PROPER ENGINEERING; CALCULATE PROJECT YIELD RATES, COSTS AND BENEFITS; CONDUCT ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF PROPOSED PROJECT. GVN IS TO PROVIDE CAPABLE TECHNICAL COUNTERPART TEAM AND NECESSARY LOCAL SERVICES AND FACILITIES.

4. GVN MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE POSTWAR IRRIGATION PROGRAM INCLUDES, INTER ALIA, 28 LARGE-SCALE PUOJECTS AS PART OF EFFORT TO EXPLOIT VAST AGRICULTURAL POTENTIAL; RESTORE PRODUCTIVITY OF LAND AND IRRIGATION FACILITIES NEGLECTED AND DAMAGED DUE TO HOSTILITIES; IMPLEMENT LAND-TO-THE-TILLER REFORMS; FACILITATE INTRODUCTION OF MODERN AGRICULTURAL TECHNOLOGY INCLUDING IRRIGATION, FERTILIZER, MECHANIZATION. THIS PROJECT ONE OF 28 SELECTED FOR HIGHEST PRIORITY AMONG LARGE-SCALE PROJECTS.

5. PROJECT AREA COVERED BY ADC RECONNAISSANCE ON HIGHWAY NO. 4 50 KM SOUTHWEST OF SAIGON LIES BETWEEN TAN AN AND MY THO. AREA BOUNDED BY VAM CO TAY RIVER AND BA BEO CANAL, XANG CANAL, HIGHWAY NO. 4 AND ADB-FUNDED CO CONG PIONEER PROJECT. LOCATION OF TAN AN PROJECT CONSIDERED ADVANTAGEOUS IN VIEW OF SECURITY, EXISTING INFRASTRUCTURE, TOPOGRAPHY AND SOILS, AGRICULTURAL POTENTIAL (FARMER CAPABILITY, POPULATION DENSITY), AND EFFECTIVENESS OF LAND REFORM PROGRAM.

6. PROPOSED PROJECT COINCIDES WITH GVN'S EIGHT-YEAR POSTWAR RECONSTRUCTION (1973-1980) PRIORITIES, KEY TO WHICH IS AGRICULTURAL SECTOR DEVELOPMENT, ESPECIALLY INCREASED RICE PRODUCTION. GOAL OF RICE SELF-SUFFICIENCY CONTINGENT ON INTENSIVE FARMING METHODS, USE OF HIGH-YIELDING SEEDS AND FERTILIZER, CURRENTLY LIMITED BY LACK OF IRRIGATED HECTARAGE AND WATER CONTROL FACILITIES. RICE SUBSECTOR HAS HIGHEST POSTWAR PRIORITY AND TAN AN IRRIGATION PUOJECT ON THIS PRIORITY LIST BUT PROJECT REQUIRES DETAILED FORMULATION BEFORE IT CAN BE UNDERTAKEN. PROPOSED TA IS DESIGNED TO COMPLETE PROJECT FOR SUBSEQUENT BANK CONSIDERATION. USADB THEREFORE SUPPORTS PROPOSAL AND LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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RECOMMENDS FAVORABLE NAC ACTION.

7. REQUEST EMBASSY SAIGON'S COMMENTS FOR NAC AGENCIES INFO USADB MANILA, PURSUANT TO STATE 119797 DTD JULY 3, 1972.
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